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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

Jens Kossmann et al.

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Examiner

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For

DNA SEQUENCE CODING FOR ENZYMES CAPABLE OF

FACILITATING THE SYNTHESIS OF LINEAR α -1,4

GLUCANS IN PLANTS, FUNGI AND MICROORGANISMS

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In connection with the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination, applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment. Applicants request that this amendment be entered and considered on continued examination.

Applicants respectfully request amendment of the above-identified, allowed, application as indicated below:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper